

Making the Best Use out of Gas Inspectors

善用氣體安全督察人手

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Abstract

Energy Safe Victoria is the gas technical regulator in Victoria, Australia, but must work with other organizations such as WorkSafe, Plumbing Industry Commission and the Certifying Appliance Bodies. National licensing is being developed, but there is still no talk about a National technical regulator.

Energy Safe Victoria has just implemented a new assessment and acceptance process which will help them make the best use out of their gas inspectors. The process is safety risk based, with job applications being categorized into High, Medium or Low safety risk. High safety risk jobs are inspected as previously happened. This is a very labour intensive process. Medium and Low safety risk jobs are conditionally accepted with a small percentage of these jobs being audited after the job is completed. As a result, Energy Safe Victoria is now able to make better use of their gas inspectors by allocating more of their time to training of other gas industry people, ensuring appliances are serviced and serviced properly, and ensuring appliances run as efficiently as possible.

摘要

維多利亞省能源安全局 (Energy Safe Victoria) 是澳洲維多利亞省的氣體技術規管部門，會同職業安全局 (WorkSafe)、喉管業委員會 (Plumbing Industry Commission) 和氣體用具認證組織等其他機構執行規管工作。澳洲正在制訂一套全國性的發牌制度，但沒有論及會否設立國家技術規管機構。

維多利亞省能源安全局剛實施一套新的評估和認可程序，俾能盡量妥善運用氣體安全督察人手。該程序按安全風險，把工程申請分為高、中、低三個安全風險級別。和以往一樣，我們會對安全風險高的工程進行巡查，有關工作十分耗費人力。至於屬中、低級安全風險的工程，我們會發出附有條件的認可；工程完成後，我們會就當中小部分進行核査。上述程序實施後，維多利亞省能源安全局現可更為妥善地調動轄下的氣體安全督察人手，安排他們用更多時間為氣體業其他人員進行培訓，確保氣體用具保養妥善和運作良好。

Biography

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Ignazio has been in the gas industry for nearly 30 years now covering a wide variety of areas with Gas Combustion and Design, the Gas and Fuel Corporation of Victoria, followed by the Office of Gas Safety through to its amalgamation with the Office of Chief Electrical Inspector to form Energy Safe Victoria, where he currently is.